

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

1-4. (Canceled)

5. (Currently amended). A method for treating obesity which comprises administering to a mammalian subject in need of such treatment an effective amount for treating obesity of a composition comprising dihydroquercetins and root-derived aralosides A, B, C, and D.

6. (Currently amended). The method of claim [[4]] 5, ~~where~~ wherein the total daily dose of dihydroquercetins is about 150 to 225 mg, and the total daily dose of root-derived aralosides A, B, C, and D is about 150 to 225 mg.

7. (Currently amended). The method of claim 5, ~~where~~ wherein the total daily dose of dihydroquercetins is about 150 mg and the total daily dose of root-derived aralosides A, B, C, and D is about 150 mg.

8. (Previously Presented). A method for reducing total body weight which comprises administering to a mammalian subject in need of body weight reduction an effective amount of dihydroquercetins and root-derived aralosides A, B, C, and D.

9. (Previously Presented). A method for reducing body fat mass in a mammalian subject in need thereof, which comprises administering an effective amount of dihydroquercetins and root-derived aralosides A, B, C, and D.

10-11. (Canceled)

12. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 5 wherein the subject is a human.

13. (Canceled)